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Dear Harold,

A, to the ENQUIRER story of Oct 11/77 by Charles Cobb: Renfro Hays led ENQ to Dean Cowden, a commodities broker, and Thomas I. Wilson, a retired car salesman, both of whom say they saw Ray at the service station. Whereas Mrs. Grace Walden is quoted as saying the Blophouse bathroom door was locked "for about 45 minutes" before she heard "a loud shot." If it was Ray, he couldn 't have been in the bathroom & at the service station at the same time, the story notes. You are quoted re Grace going to Bolivar: "I think she was put there because her story contradicted the story Charlie Stevens told." (pr perhaps yours?) ENQ also uses Mark Lane/material without crediting him, re gabbie finding Charlie drunk.

McEachran is now top editor at Birmingham Post-Hezzld. Your implication is probably right re FBI & Blanton, with vengeful FBI getting the goods on Blanton & giving it to CA.

FBI's JFK records -- I have all the clips from the NY dailies & will try to get up copies for you.

Happy New Year!

Phil Moss